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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: CLUSTER BOMB UNITS (CBU): RESTRICTIONS ON USE

REF: STATE 85783

1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED CLUSTER BOMB ISSUE WITH BOTH WEIZMAN AND ISRAELI AIR FORCE. GENERAL ODIT EREZ, DIRECTOR INTELLIGENCE FOR THE ISRAELI AIR FORCE, HAS CONFIRMED TO DATT THAT INDEED CLUSTER BOMBS WERE USED IN THE SOUTH LEBANON OPERATION. HE SEEMED UNAWARE THAT THIS WAS VIOLATION OF ANY AGREEMENT.

2. WEIZMAN ASKED ME THIS MORNING, WHEN I RAISED THE ISSUE WITH HIM, IF IN FACT THERE WAS ANY AGREEMENT WHICH GOVERNED THEIR USE AND, IF SO, WHAT IT WAS. I SUMMARIZED PARA TWO OF REFTTEL FOR HIM. HE WAS, I AM CONVINCED, TOTALLY UNAWARE OF THE DINITZ-MCAULIFFE LETTER OF 16 DECEMBER 1976, AND CLEARLY HAD NEVER HEARD OF THIS PROBLEM UNTIL WE NOW RAISED IT. HE SAID HE DID NOT YET HAVE A FULL REPORT BUT WAS OBTAINING ONE; IF THEY WERE IN VILATION OF THE AGREEMENT, WHAT SANCTIONS WOULD FOLLOW? I REPLIED THAT I DID NOT KNOW. FOR THE MOMENT, I WAS ONLY ASKING FOR THE FACTS, AND

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OF COURSE THEIR ASSURANCE THAT THESE WEAPONS WILL NOT AGAIN BE USED CONTRARY TO THE AGREEMENT UNDER WHICH THEY WERE PROVIDED. I EXPECT TO HEAR FURTHER FROM WEIZMAN IN THE NEXT DAY OR TWO.
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